

MSAC Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 20, 2008
2:00 p.m.-3:15 p.m.

Present: Mike Collura, Ginny Corso, Terri Fox, Vicki Ryan, Rick Stewart, Connie Stitzlein, Cindi Thompson

ITEM 1:
Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the January 16, 2008, MSAC meeting were read, corrected, and approved and will be posted on the MSAC website.

ITEM 2:
USAC Town Meeting

The first town meeting with President Gordon Gee was held on Wednesday, February 20, from noon to 1 p.m. Mansfield did submit 5 questions ahead of time but due to technical difficulties we were not able to see or hear the town meeting but we could see the other regional campuses. We even had 18 people who showed up to see it in Riedl 153 – our best turnout so far.

Rick Stewart and Kris Moloney are invited to the next breakfast on February 27 and will check on the questions we submitted. MSAC is asking that anyone else who is selected to attend one of the monthly breakfasts to please let MSAC know. It is a very good means for communication.

ITEM 3:
Outstanding Staff Awards

The deadline for submission is March 7. Rick sent out an e-mail reminder for nominations from the perspective of an award recipient to all staff. Applications were also put in all mailboxes.

ITEM 4:
Quarterly Meetings and Staff Forums with the Dean

Ginny and Cindi discussed starting back up quarterly meetings with the Dean outside of the normal monthly MSAC meetings. Originally when the MSAC committee was started that is what happened. Also we need to contact Evie about her availability for a current quarter Staff Forum.

ITEM 5

Unresolved issues/questions

MSAC talked about following up on some earlier questions which haven't been answered as well as some prospective thoughts. These included:

Who nominates and votes for students for the Faculty/Staff Scholarship?

Sick leave conversion – currently with bargaining members

Comparing our leave programs versus other 4-year institutes in Ohio
and other Big 10 schools

Veteran's Day off swap for New Year's Eve off

Offering a Hidden Benefits Fair applicable to regional campus staff

ITEM 6

Staff Retirement Gifts

A question was brought up about retirement gifts to staff members and whether they are uniform for all staff. Faculty gives an OSU Rocking Chair but takes donations for it. What does staff do? Are there different items depending on years of employment at OSU?

ITEM 7

Website items

Rick and Ginny reviewed the current members of their subcommittees which are listed on the MSAC website; and Terri reminded us that we need current pictures of our committee on the website.

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be held at Wednesday, March 19, at 2 p.m. in 153 Riedl Hall.